2.00 p.m.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): Shri Y.P. Trivedi. He is not there. Dr. Bimal Jalan. He is not there. Shri Mysura Reddy. He is not there. Dr. Radhakant Nayak. He is not there. Dr. Kapila Vatsyayan. She is not there. Shri Arjun Kumar Sengupta. He is also not there. Shri Silvius Condpan.

DR. K. KESHAVA RAO (Andhra Pradesh): Madam, may I just intervene for a minute?

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): Is it a point of order?

DR. K. KESHAVA RAO: No, Madam. It is not a point of order. I just seek a minute's intervention to put the record straight as far as the language of the Address is concerned, because it is going on record. It is President' Address. We are finding fault with the language in it. Let it not go on record that the President has used a wrong language.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): I am sure the Members are conscious of that.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: They cannot make any comment about the language.

SHRI SILVIUS CONDPAN (Assam): Thank you, hon. Chairperson, for allowing me to take part in this Motion of Thanks to the hon. President's address.

I rise to support this Motion which has been tabled by the hon. Member, Shri Jai Parkash Aggarwal. A good many friends from the other side have made observations that President's Address is not very encouraging for the all round development of our people, which I oppose. I would like to say that it is very much encouraging to know from the hon. President's Address that the UPA Government, under the leadership of Shrimati Sonia Gandhi, and the hon. Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh, has brought out many popular programmes for the welfare of the rural people. Madam, I would like to mention here that the...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): May I interrupt you for a minute? I will just call the Minister to lay the Supplementary Demands for Grants. Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS FOR GRANTS (GENERAL) 2008-2009

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): Madam, I lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) showing the third batch of the Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for the year 2008-09.